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HAWAII.

Examination of Rodents for Plague Infection.

During the week ended August 24, 1912, 827 rats and mongoose were examined at Hilo and 1,802 at Honokaa. No plague infection was found.

At Honolulu during the same week 142 rats were examined. No plague infection was found.

The last case of human plague occurred at Pepeekeo, Hawaii, September 13, 1912. The last plague-infected rat was found at Olaa, Hawaii, September 9, 1912.

INDIA.

Calcutta—Cholera and Plague.

Acting Asst. Surg. Allan reports: During the week ended July 20, 1912, there were reported at Calcutta 14 deaths from cholera and 7 from plague; in all Bengal, 7 cases of plague with 7 deaths; in all India, 330 cases of plague with 257 deaths.

ITALY.

Examination of Emigrants.

Surg. Geddings at Naples reports:

Vessels inspected at Naples, Messina, and Palermo week ended Aug. 31, 1912.

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Aug. 28	Cretic	Boston	1,289	260	1,890
28	Saxonia	New York			
29	Torridge	Galveston			
30	America	Philadelphia	1,405	210	1,650
31	San Guglielmo	New York			
31	Mongibello	do			
	Total		2,694	470	3,540

MESSINA.

Aug. 29	Mongibello	New York			

PALERMO.

Aug. 29	America	Philadelphia	422	400	250

JAPAN.

Cholera on Steamships.

Surg. Irwin at Yokohama reported, August 21: The steamship *Otaru Maru* arrived at Nagasaki August 21 from Shanghai with a case of cholera on board in the person of a member of the crew. On August 21 the steamship *Yokohama Maru* arrived at Moji with a case of cholera in the person of a first-class passenger.

Dr. Irwin further reported September 2: To August 29 vessels have arrived at Japanese ports with cholera on board as follows: At Moji, *Yokohama Maru*, 2 cases, *Mexico Maru*, 4 cases; at Nagasaki, *Penza*, 1 case; *Seiun Maru*, 4 cases; at Kuchinotsu, *Otaru Maru*, 1 case.

Measures Against Importation of Cholera.

The Japanese authorities have issued the following instructions to vessels bound for Shanghai, which has been recognized as a cholera-infected place:

1. To purchase no drinking water, vegetables, fruits, raw fish, milk, etc., at Shanghai.
2. To prohibit the landing of the crews except in case of necessity.
3. To give warning to the passengers to avoid landing if possible.
4. To pay special attention to the condition of health of the passengers embarking at Shanghai.

PORTO RICO.

Passed Asst. Surg. Creel reports:

Rats examined Sept. 7 to 14, 1912.

Place.	Rats examined.	Rats found infected.	Rats found suspicious.
All Porto Rico	1,677	.....	.....
San Juan municipality:			
San Juan	131	.....	.....
Puerta de Tierra	58	2	.....
Santurce	336	.....	.....

A summary of the plague situation to September 14, 1912, including human and rodent cases reported or discovered, was as follows: Rats examined, 15,235; rats found infected, 62; human cases, 56; deaths, 36.

Inspections made Aug. 31 to Sept. 14, 1912.

Inspections.	Aug. 31 to Sept. 7, 1912.	Sept. 7 to 14, 1912.
Buildings inspected:		
Mayaguez	236	263
Ponce	.....	300
San Juan	339	205
Cars inspected	137	161
Packages of freight fumigated	858	1,131
Packages of freight repacked	129	166
Packages of freight inspected and passed	12,987	13,925
Oxcarts and wagons carrying outgoing overland freight inspected	254	227
Packages inspected	8,116	6,309
Packages fumigated	.....	1
Packages repacked	484	331
Total packages inspected	8,600	6,623
Express packages inspected	476	.....
Express packages repacked	172	.....
Express packages fumigated	.....	.....
Rats found in freight and express packages inspected	2	4

TURKEY IN ASIA.

Mersina—Port Declared Free from Cholera.

Consul Nathan reports that Mersina was officially declared free from cholera August 14, 1912.